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1. [ ] Russell Blandford on the staff of House Armed Services telephoned indicating he was acting for Bob Smart. He said the special subcommittee established by Mr. Vinson consisting of Kilday, Arends and Porter Hardy desired to schedule a meeting for ten o'clock on 15 September at which they would like the DCI to be present with his Personnel Director. He indicated there would also be present representatives of G-2, ONI, Air Force Intelligence, and NSA. He stated the purpose of the meeting was in the nature of an organizational meeting to determine how they will conduct the investigation. On the point of Personnel Director, Blandford stated that what they really meant was someone who was thoroughly familiar with our procedures for recruiting, screening and clearance and it was not intended to mean it must be the Personnel Director. I explained to Blandford in a subsequent call some of the problems in connection with the particular date and time and Blandford advised that it must be on the morning of the 15th of September and there was no requirement that the Director be present and that the Deputy Director was perfectly acceptable for this initial session. Blandford was advised that we would be present.

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[ ] and the IG were advised of the above and subsequently General Cabell notified me that he, with [ ] and myself, would go.

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Mr. Blandford was notified of the above. Blandford specifically stated that the Chairman wished to keep the fact of the meeting off the record at this time. I was advised from another source that in the letter from Chairman Vinson to the three members he indicated that the matter should be handled expeditiously within the current session of the Congress, meaning before the first of the year.

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